

Dear Lawmakers,

I am writing to urge you to reject NAB's Petition #04-160, which would severely limit the freedom of satellite radio broadcasters to offer a full range of services to the loyal subscribers. I have been a satellite radio subscriber for over two years now, and the quality of programming and variety of content are far superior to that which either AM or FM radio offers. It is not up to satellite radio to reduce their quality services to meet the lowest common denominator of AM/FM radio's standards. Instead, let AM and FM stations improve the quality of their product in order to compete with satellite radio. That is how it is supposed to work in a free and open market economy.

Why should satellite subscribers settle for less in order to placate the big money broadcasters over at the AM & FM stations? The content in question is not offensive, illegal, a threat, or a hazard in any way - except to those same AM/FM broadcasters. If the thought of losing some of their precious profits to satellite radio has the NAB so scared, maybe they should get on the stick and try to compete, instead of trying to stifle the satellite broadcasters in order to achieve the same ends?

It's all about money, and the NAB would do better to spend its money on market research and programming development instead of lobbying for unfair laws.

KEEP SATELLITE RADIO FREE IN A FREE MARKETPLACE! The public deserves the right to choose their radio provider based on quality and content, not on unfair and artificially imposed limitations!

Thank you,
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